FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H3847**

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TO: The Honorable Robert E. "Bob" Walker, Chairperson, House Education and Public Works

Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Statewide Assessment Program

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

House Bill 3847 changes the date whereby the graduating class of students are required to pass a high school credit course in science and a course in United States history in which end-of-course examinations are administered to receive the state high school diploma. The date is changed from 2010 to 2013.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

This Bill will have no additional fiscal impact on the State Department of Education.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

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The State Department of Education estimates that redeveloping the Biology End-of-Course Examination Program will cost between \$1,385,338 and \$1,500,000. This initiative is funded with EIA funds in both the House of Representatives and Senate versions of the FY 2007-08 Appropriation Bill.

Approved by:

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